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SUBJECT: EXBS-MIDDLE EAST REGION ADVISOR MONTHLY REPORTING CABLE  
APRIL 2005

**¶1. SUMMARY.** Regional EXBS Advisor completed coordination for the "Export Control Legal-Regulatory Workshop I," scheduled for Oman and began coordination for the visit of a MEGAPORTS Initiative/Second Line of Defense Program assessment team to Oman. END SUMMARY.

**¶2. MIDDLE EAST REGION (OMAN, U.A.E., YEMEN)**

**¶I. BROAD ITEMS OF INTEREST.** Regional EXBS Advisor will make contact with Post EXBS representatives in U.A.E., and Yemen, calendar initial EXBS Advisor visits, coordinate EXBS training events and make recommendations to respective Country Team and NP/ECC as appropriate.

**II. COMPLETED ACTIONS FOR THE REPORTING PERIOD.**

**¶A. SITE ASSESSMENTS, MEETINGS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES DURING REPORTING PERIOD.**

**¶1.** On April 4, EXBS Advisor exchanged emails with the US Coast Guard International Port Security Liaison Officers (IPSLO) located in Rotterdam, Netherlands who are responsible for Jordan, Oman, Yemen, United Arab Emirates and Libya. EXBS Advisor discussed with ISPL0, general maritime issues related to EXBS and ISPS for their respective countries of responsibility.

**¶2.** On April 1-28, EXBS Advisor assisted American Embassy Muscat, Department of Commerce, NP/ECC and their contractor to finalize course preparation for the "Export Control Legal-Regulatory Workshop I," planned for Muscat, Oman on May 15-18, 2005. Post EXBS representative coordinated country clearance, transportation and housing of trainers and training-facility logistics for the course.

**¶3.** On April 18-28, EXBS Advisor assisted American Embassy Muscat, NP/ECC and Department of Energy to coordinate future visit of MEGAPORTS assessment team. The team will assess the ports of Qaboos and Salalah for inclusion in the MEGAPORTS Initiative and the DOE Second Line of Defense Program. The team plans to visit Oman in August or September 2005.

**¶4.** On April 22-28, EXBS Advisor assisted NP/ECC, EXBS Inter-agency Group Members and their contractors to update the annual Inter-Agency EXBS Schedule.

**¶B. TRAINING CONDUCTED DURING REPORTING PERIOD.**

**¶1.** EXBS: None.

**¶2.** OTHER: None.

**¶C. EQUIPMENT DELIVERED DURING REPORTING PERIOD.**

None.

**¶D. IMMINENT TRAINING OR EQUIPMENT STATUS UPDATE.**

**¶1.** EXBS: "Export Control Legal-Regulatory Workshop I," scheduled for Muscat, Oman on May 15-18, 2005.

**¶2.** OTHER: None.

**¶E. SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN EXPORT CONTROLS, NONPROLIFERATION, OR RELATED BORDER SECURITY.**

To be determined following initial country visits and review of EXBS: Control System Standards Questionnaire for each country.

**¶F. OTHER SIGNIFICANT ISSUES/EVENTS.**

Same as paragraph 2-II-E, above.

**¶G. PRIMARY EXBS OBJECTIVES FOR COMING MONTH.**

**¶1.** Schedule initial EXBS Advisor visits to U.A.E., Oman and Yemen.

**¶2.** Coordinate with Embassy personnel on the ground to identify persons and organizations of interest to EXBS.

**IH. STATUS OF LAST MONTH'S PRIMARY EXBS OBJECTIVES.**

- 11.** EXBS Advisor and Post EXBS representative - Muscat have discussed and identified tentative dates for EXBS Advisor visit to Oman.
- 12.** EXBS Advisor will identify tentative dates for visit to U.A.E. and Yemen.

**13.** EXBS Advisor will coordinate with Post EXBS representatives Muscat, Abu Dhabi and Sanaa to identify persons/organizations of interest to EXBS.

**III. RED FLAG ISSUES.**

None.

**13.** Any questions or comments can be directed to Joseph C. Irvine, EXBS Advisor to the Middle East Region, Telephone:(962 6) 590-6550/6558, Fax: (962 6) 592-7653, Email: IrvineJC@state.gov.  
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